You Enter the Last Week

in which to make purchases for Christmas to-day-procrastination is the thief of time and sometimes happinessdon't delay.

Every one won't enjoy toys, therefore it will be expedient to buy a dress for some of the older ones—and buy a dress that will please because it's new in style.

We think we have more than one hundred pieces at 48c a yard, but we will only quote a few:

Thirty-six-inch Camel Hair Plaid and broken bar Novelties that are all wool and are pretty as many of the dollar styles in imported goods— 48c cents yard.

Thirty-six-inch All-Wool Cashmeres in Blue, Red, Green, Brown and shades suited for child's dresses and ladies gowns especially—48 cents

36-inch All-Wool Piain Gloth, six different shades; these goods usually sold for fifty cents; now-29c and 39c.

46-inch All-Wool Imported Serge, heavy twill with lustre finish, five shades-59c yard.

All-Wool Henrietta, nothing better for wear, full line of colors suitable for dresses for all purposes-750 yard.

Automobile Camel Hair Cloths, that most stylish of suit for present wear or spring, Gray, Green, Brown or Blue, 48 to 52 inches wide—\$1.50 to \$1.75 yard. Handsome Grape Novelties of Silk and Wool, the richest of dress fabrics for indoor use, Castor, Blue, Red or Purple ground with black, \$3.25 yard. A handsome gift for little money.

Reversing Cloths in Suit and Cloaking weights, eight shades, with plaid backs—\$2.00 to \$4.50 yard.

Black Dress Goods department showings are extraordinary, and for gifts you cannot make a better investment.

Black Cheviots and Camel Hairs.

These rough surface goods have had a demand that has made them exceedingly scarce, going to show that they are most popular. We have several pieces, 45 to 54 inches wide—\$1.50 to \$2.00 yard.

Forty-two-inch Black Poplins-85c to \$1.15 yard.

Poplins never lose their standing in dress fabrics. For wear and finish these are exceptionally cheap.

Serges, etc., at all prices.

Venetian Cloth, Prunelle, Serges, Crepelle.

Geo. E. Stifel & Co.

The the specific

If there is ever a time when one wants the right kind of goods, it's certainly at Christmas time, when selecting articles suitable for presents.

A GOOD SUIT OF CLOTHES

Is not only a desirable present, but also a sensible

and profitable one.

You can get a heavy Cheviot or Cassimere Suit at \$10.00. Fancy Cheviots, Blue and Black Clays, choice weaves, \$12.50 to \$15.00. A custom tailor wouldn't make you a suit from these fine fabrics for less than 25 to 30 dollars.

Our assortment of Furnishings is now at its best. Keep us in mind in selecting Christmas Gifts.

D. GUNDLING & CO.,

松本本本本

GEO. R. TAYLOR CO.

GEO. R. TAYLOR

Holiday Offerings. 25 PER CENT OFF

On our entire stock of Ladies' Tailor Made Suits and Skirts. Each and

every garment new and desirable. Special prices on Wraps, Jackets and Furs. Wothing more appropri-

ate for Xmas presents. 200 Colored and Black Dress Patterns reduced to about 1/4 their value.

Prices range from \$2.25 to \$6.50.

SUGGESTIONS:

Ladies' and Men's Silk Gowns and Jackets.

Lace, Embroidered and Plain Linen Handkerchiefs. Centemeri, Monarch, Regent and Lutitia Kid Gloves.

There is only one "CENTEMERI"brand, each pair stamped on the inside of the left hand glove; all so-called "THE SAME" are imitations. Silk Umbrellas, Silk Skirts, Silk Waists, Lace Scar's, Pocket Books,

Leather and Silk Bags, Fans, etc., etc.

GEO. R. TAYLOR COMPAN

A LONG PULL, STRONG PULL

Altogether Meeded Now to Insure the Success of the "Dewey Day" Ceremonies.

A MATHEMATICAL FORECAST

Of the Weather Indicates the Right Kind-Meeting of the Committee To-night.

This evening at 8 o'clock, at the office of the chairman, T. M. Gavin, 1523 Chapline street, there will be a meeting of the Fort Henry tablet committee, in charge of the arrangements for "Dewey Day," February 22 next, when Admiral Dewey will be the guest of the city, and in connection the Fort Henry commemorative tablet will be placed in position at the head of the Main street hill, and a sword will be presented to Lieutenant John S. Doddridge, the only Wheeling boy who fought with Dewey at Manila bay. With the committee the members of the sub-committee on finance will meet, and an estimate of the amount of money needed for the expenses of the demonstration will be arrived at. Also, it is likely additional sub-committees will be named and possibly the general committee will be enlarged. A full attendance is particu-larly desired, as there is not too much time now remaining in which to com-plete the many details of the affair.

Many Wheeling people fear the weather will be bad on "Dewey Day." Of course, the weather may be unfavorguite so uncertain, at least in the Chio valley, but if a record of the weather on February 22 of the years from 1890 to 1899 inclusive shows fair weather and moderate temperature without a break, it is not unreasonable to anticipate that 1900 will prove no exception to the rule.

And that is just what it does Yesterday afternoon an Intelligencer

reporter and Weather Observer Chris-tian Schnepf, compiled the following showing the weather in detail for Febrwary 22 from 1890 to 1899 inclusive:

YEAR.	Temperature.						100
	7 a. m.	9 a. m.	12 m.	Sp.m.	7 p. m.	10 p. m.	DAY.
1890 1871	23 35 40 20 22 25 14 43 27 46	30 37 50 22 30 27 19 47 30 46	40 41 58 20 40 30 85 54 36 45	43 43 56 21 29 60 45	41 41 51 33 37 30 37 30 48	40 37 49 84 84 85 87 87 87 81 41 39,1	Fair. Fair. Fair. Clear. Fair. Fair. † Cloudy, Fair.

It will be noted that the weather was fair throughout each day, with the exception of 1897, when there was rain until noon. In 1898 there was a trace of snow, but the eight other years show the day clear and moderate, which is very encouraging. It is not unreasonable to predict weather that will average up to the ten years recorded. This average would mean fair weather, and the following temperature: 7 a. m., 29; 9 a. m., 34; noon, 41; 3 p. m., 42; 7 p. m., 42; 10 p. m., 29. If this brand of weather can be delivered by the weather bureau all Wheeling will rejoice.

That Bailroad Bate.

Last week the chairman of the Fort Henry tablet committee was notified that the Wheeling passenger committhat the Wheeling passenger committee had recommended a rate of one fare for the round trip into Wheeling for 'Dewey Day' in the territory within a radius of one hundred miles. Chairman Garvin then requested that the rate be extended to cover a two hundred mile radius. Yesterday, Passenger Agent Tomlinson, of the Pan Handle, said that to extend the radius as desired it would be necessary to take the matter up with the higher traffic association, and, besides, he believed that more people would come from within the one hundred miles radius than Wheeling will be able to accommodate comfortably, while from the larger territory in the two hundred mile radius, the low rate would assuredly bring crowds of such proportions that the railroads would be unable to handle them expeditiously, and the town would be swamped.

A Bequest for Bethany.

Prof. George Munro, of the Bible chair at Bethany college, who yester-day morning preached at the First Christian church in the absence of C. M. Oliphant, is authority for the statement that Bethany college is to receive a \$5,000 bequest from the will of the late Mrs. A. J. Waters, of Alleof the late Mrs. A. J. Waters, of Allegheny, Pa., who in addition, left similar amounts to the Home and Foreign societies of the Christian church. Mrs. Waters was about ninety years of age. Her bequest will be received with great pleasure by the many friends of "Old Bethany." Prof. Munro says the college is in a flourishing condition and that it is due for a great boom when the town is connected with Wheeling by an electric railway.

In Clerk Robertson's Office. Saturday in Clerk Robertson's office the following real estate transfers were corded:

recorded:

Deed made December 14, 1899, by
James H. Wayt and Rose Wayt to
Frank Wayt for sixty-seven acres and
one hundred and eight perches of land
on the headwaters of the South Fork of
Short creek, consideration, 44,000.

Deed made December 18, 1899, by C.
Albert Kelm, tristee, to Sarah J. Rust,
of Philadelphia, for lot No. 55 at Echo
Point, consideration \$250.

Water Rents are Due.

Water rents for the six months end-ing March 31, 1900, are now ready. It paid on or before December 31, 1899, a THE CITY WATER BOARD.

DEN Goods for the men in home and office at STIFEL & CO.'S.

500 Men's Stiff Hats in our \$3,00 \$3.50 grade this week at only O. WILL GUTMAN, 1311 Market Street.

the The Kind You Have Always Bought

A MIX-UP INDEED I

And Apparently Due to the Incom petency, or at Least to the Vacilla-

cials—The Doman Escape Recalled. A few weeks ago the Intelligencer told of the remarkable escape of a suspected murderer from Sheriff Harmison, of Harrison county, and Deputy Marshal Paulding, at the Baltimore & Ohio passenger station in this city owing to the officials quarreling as to which would pay \$8 railroad fare for the prisoner. A day later another suspect was arrested in Indiana, but again the West Virginia officials showed their inabil-ity to cope with the situation. In this connection the following special dis-patch received last night by the Intel-

ligencer is interesting:

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

ELKHART, Ind., Dec. 15.—Sheriff Elliott has received from Deputy United States Marshal Paulding, of West Virginia, a telegram asking him to hold the man arrested here on suspicion of being Newton Doman, wanted in Morgan county, West Virginia, for double murder. The message said to hold the prisoner at all hazards, as the deputy had positive proof that he was Doman. The sheriff was compelled to answer that he no longer had the man in custody, having released him on receipt of a message from Sheriff Harrison, of Morgan county, to the effect that a photograph of the prisoner sent to the Morgan county sheriff had convinced him that the prisoner was not Doman. Doman was kept under surveillance for several days, though not formally arrested, as the Elkhart county sheriff was afraid the whole affair would prove a fiash in the pan, and he did not desire to run the risk of civil action for damagres, especially as a lawyer was urging the suspect to take such steps. Last Friday Doman disappeared from Goshen, and was in Elkhart on Saturday. Since then he has not been heard from, but the county authorities claim they will be able to locate and arrest him as soon as the West Virginia authorities back their promises with action that shall be legally safe. The local authorities are at a loss to understand the hesitancy that has characterized the West Virginia officers. After the suspect's arrest on November 29 the deputy was immediately notified by telegraph, but no answer came from him and twenty-four hours later the sheriff called him up by telephone and he said, as a result of that conference but the days passed on and finally word came from Sheriff Harrison to release him. At the same time a letter from Paulding asking that he be held was on its way, and Doman was put under surveillance immediately after its arrival. Still no word came from Paulding and official vindication, however, they would like to see the suspect is ever proven to be the west Virginias.

Dr. De Cristion's Lecture.

Perfection in grace and beauty is the Perfection in grace and beauty is the chief desire of womankind. Beauty of face and form are woman's two most attractive characteristics. To obtain these two subtle charms has been the chief aim of many women who appreciate their own imperfections and who have groped blindly to acquire that which ignorance of the true remedies rendered impossible to attain. Dr. H. B. F. Criston, late of the Faris schools of beauty and physical culture, thoroughly understands the formula and holds the key to the gate that leads to beauty and grace. The knowledge he imparts is like a draught from the fabled fountain of perpetual youth, so ardently sought by the gray-haired and decrepit Ponce de Leon that he might restore the vigor and grace of his younger days. He sustains a reputation along this line and on this subject never before attained by any man, and the thousands of testimonials as to the good he has done is evidence of his worth to womankind. No lady should miss hearing his scientific lecture this afternoon at 2:30 at the Opera House.

KEEPING everlastingly at it is good chief desire of womankind. Beauty of

KEEPING everlastingly at it is good advice as a rule. We are going to keep everlastingly at it until we convince the people there is but one authorized agent that sells the celebrated Webb & Ball official Standard Railroad Watches. They are all guaranteed. Money refunded if not satisfactory. JOHN BECKER & CO., 3527 Jacob St.

We will remove to No. 1902 Market street, McLure House block, to-day, Large supply of all kinds of Fresh Cut Flowers and Holly and Mistletoe on hand. Leave your Xmas order early, so they can be well taken care of. HUSCROFT BROS.

THURBER'S Bonbons and Choco lates are pure, 60 Twelfth street.

EXQUISITE Perfumes, Packages, good values, close prices. IRWIN'S DRUG STORE.

STERLING Silver Brushes, Combs and Mirrors. Real Ebony Brushes, Combs and Brushes. W. J. LUKENS, One Price Jeweler.

SMOKING Jackets in all colors, lined and reversible, at Stifel & Co.'s.

*************** L. R. SONNEBORN'S Sale of C. J. Beekman & Co.'s Samples.

Open Evenings. WHOLESALE PRICES POSITIVELY. 204025202222222222222

500 Men's Stiff Hats in our \$3.00 and \$3.50 grade this week at on \$2.00. WILL GUTMAN, \$2.00. 1311 Market Street

LADIES' Rings, Watches, Brooches, Chain Purses, Bracelets, etc., at M'NAMEE'S, 1507 Market street.

ELEGANT Imported Bisque Figures and Ornaments, 25c to \$500 a pair, at IRWIN'S DRUG STORE.

GOOD Pearl Pens, Gold Point, 75c. W. J. LUKENS, One Price Jeweler.

TRAVELING Cases for men in Alligator and Seal Leather at STIFEL & CO.'S. GO to the WEDGEWOOD and buy Xmas gifts, China, Glassware, etc., 1003 Main street.

GET Thurber's Box Candy, 60 Twelfth Street.

REAUS BROS.

FOR MEN AND BOYS

Can best be answered here, that is if it pertains to gifts of the practical sort, such as an Overcoat, Suit or Pair of Trousers. Of course we have the family in mind. Now perhaps you wouldn't please your Father, Brother or Son better than to give him a gift of this sort Then if he isn't in the family, "but willing to be"-for him there's a multitude of suggestions-Bath Robes, Gloves, Neckwear, Silk Suspenders with silver buckles and otherwise, Silk Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Canes, Fancy Vests, etc.

KRAUS BROS.

WHEELING'S FOREMOST CLOTHIERS,

Strictly One Price.

1319 Market Street.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Going and Coming of Wheeling People and Visitors. J. W. Leonard, of Washington, Pa., is at the Howell.

E. E. Hamilton and wife, of Manning-ton, are at the Stamm. Silvey Scroggins, of Moundsville, was in the city yesterday,

J. L. Sawtell returned yesterday from a business trip to Ritchie county. F. C. Workman, of Steubenville, reg-istered at the Grand Central yester-day.

John A. McCarroll and wife, of Par-kersburg, were Windsor guests yester-

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Dunlap, of Coon Island, Pa., returned home yesterday, after visiting Island relatives.

Charles Chadduck, of Grafton, and C. F. Hosford and wife, of Sistersville, and T. M. Jackson and wife, of Clarksburg, were at the McLure yesterday. A. Brown Boughner, of the Parkers-burg Journal, was in the city yesterday, His many friends were glad to greet the "old war horse."

Skating Rink Opens.

Skating Rink Opens.

The Hygeia ice skating rink, at the corner of Twenty-third and Water streets, will be formally opened this evening. Manager C. W. Conner has perfected all arrangements for an ideal rink, and its patrons will find it conducted in a thoroughly efficient manner. There is a large skating space. The opening, coming during the holiday season, should be auspicious.

A Twenty Minute Service.

A twenty minute service becomes effective on the Moundsville, Benwood & Wheeling line to-day. The increased traffic has justified the management in making this move. Heretofore cars left Benwood and Moundsville every thirty minutes.

Funeral of Mrs. Kelley.

The funeral of the late Mrs. John Kel-ley will occur at the Second Presbyterian church to-morrow morning, at 9 clock, with interment following at HILDEBRAND Cor. Market and 22d Sta. Tolophone 207-2.

Greenwood cemetery. Rev. Dr. James Moffat, president of Washington & Jefferson college, and a former pastor of the Second church, probably will officiate the funeral. Friends of the family are invited to attend. The remains will arrive from Philadelphia Tuesday morning.

FRUITS AND BOX CANDY. A fine Basket of Fruit and Box of High Grade Candy makes a good Kmas Present for young or old. ALEX. DURST & SONS.

THE BEST CHRISTMAS GIFT is a Phonograph or Graphophone with its amusing and interesting Records. Price, \$5 00 upwards. C. A. HOUSE.

DRESS Suit Cases and Satchels. ETZ & SEIFERT, Cor. Eleventh and Main Streets.

KELLEY—At Philadelphia, Pa., on Friday, December 15, 1899, at 3 p. m., MRS.

JOHN G. KELLEY

Funeral at the Second Presbyterian church on Tuesday, 19th Inst., at 9 a. m., at Greenwood cemetery. It

Interment at Greenwood cometery. It is expected that Rev. James Moffat will officiate. The friends of the family are invited to be present. The remains of Mrs. Kelley will arrive by the 8 s. m. train, B. & O. R. R., on Tuesday, 19th

UNDERTAKING.

Louis Bertschy,

FUNERAL DIRECTOR and ARTERIAL EMBALMER.

1117 Main St.-West Side.

BRUEMMER (Funeral Directors

MORTON C. STOUT & CO.

\$15.00

For \$18, \$20 and \$22 Suitings, great variety of patterns in Cheviots and Cassimeres, perfect fit guaranteed.

For \$25, \$22 and \$28 Suiting in all the newest Stripes, Checks and Miktures, warm winter weight.

This is Our Christmas Offering,

And represents the best values ever offered in the city for the money. Let us measure you to-day.

Morton C. Stout TAILORS.



JOHN L. RICE Manager. Market and Twelfth Sts.